

In the Specification:

Please amend as follows the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 9:

al (Amended) The present application is related to U.S. Application No. 09/714,036, _____, entitled "A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT GATEWAY HAVING A STANDARD INTERFACE" (~~Attorney Docket 2000-0474 (AWS527)~~), Application No. 09/714,034 _____, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD OF BINDING TO A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" (~~Attorney Docket 2000-0474B (AWS527B)~~), Application No. 09/714,033 _____, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING ANTI-SPAM CONTROL USING A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" (~~Attorney Docket 2000-0474C (AWS527C)~~), Application No. _____ 09/714,032, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING THROTTLE CONTROL IN A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" (~~Attorney Docket 2000-0474D (AWS527D)~~), and Application No. 09/714,031 _____, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING THROTTLE CONTROL IN A SHORT MESSAGING POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" (~~Attorney Docket 2000-0474E (AWS527E)~~). Each of these applications is concurrently filed and commonly owned. The contents of each of these applications are incorporated herein by reference.